

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING THE BIRTHDAY OF MR.  
ROBERT B. INGRAM, JR.

### HON. JO BONNER

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 14, 2006*

Mr. BONNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Bob Ingram for his service to the state of Alabama as one of the most influential and respected political writers.

At a celebration of his 80th birthday earlier this summer, State Treasurer Kay Ivey described Bob as an "Alabama Treasure." Throughout his career, he has used his skills as a journalist to make an important contribution toward building a better Alabama.

Born in Centre, Alabama, in 1926, Bob graduated from Cherokee County High School and served with distinction in World War II as a radio operator and gunner aboard the USS *Panamint*. He graduated from Auburn University in 1949 and soon began working for the Cherokee County Herald.

Bob has seen and reported on many of the most pivotal events in Alabama's history including the civil rights movement and the career of former Governor George C. Wallace. While noted for his legendary objectivity, Bob has never been afraid to speak his mind. Be it with praise or criticism, Mr. Ingram has served as a watchdog for the people of Alabama his entire career.

Bob Ingram has been a reporter, a magazine publisher, an author, a television commentator, and a speaker for the better part of a century. In 1968, he also served the people of Alabama as the finance director to Governor Albert Brewer.

Mr. Ingram's life is filled with achievement, and today I rise to honor yet another of these achievements—the 80th birthday of one of our state's most revered journalists and esteemed citizens. May he continue to inform and inspire the people of Alabama, and may his role in our State's history not soon be forgotten.

### WWII ACE REMEMBERED

### HON. G.K. BUTTERFIELD

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 14, 2006*

Mr. BUTTERFIELD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to remember a great American warrior, Col. Herschel H. "Herky" Green. Herky Green was a pilot in the Army Air Corps during World War II and is recognized as one of the sharpest shooters of the war. He passed away August 16, 2006 from cancer at the age of 86.

In his time as a fighter pilot, Herky Green amassed 402 combat flying hours over the course of 100 combat missions. He is credited with destroying 10 enemy aircraft on the ground and 18 aerial victories, earning him the designation of Ace. As the leading Ace of the 15th Air Force, Herky Green dominated the

skies over Europe and Africa from 1943 to 1944. During one mission against a group of German bombers, Green single-handedly destroyed six aircraft.

Green continued to serve in the newly established U.S. Air Force until 1964. Among his numerous decorations, he earned the Distinguished Service Cross, a Silver Star, and two Distinguished Flying Crosses.

### HONORING BILL STONE

### HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 14, 2006*

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Bill Stone as the recipient of the 2006 Kings County Agriculturalist of the Year Award. With over 35 years of dedicated service to the Central Valley's agriculture industry and with demonstrated quality leadership, Mr. Stone is truly deserving of this recognition.

A native of Stratford, Mr. Stone moved to Lemoore when he was 9 years old. He graduated from Lemoore High School in 1964 and Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo in 1968. His earliest memories of farm life center on days spent playing out on the ranch with the kids who lived in the farm labor camp as well as working around the shop with his father and brother.

Today, Mr. Stone owns and operates Stone Land Company, nestled in the heart of the Central Valley. He credits his employees, some of who have worked for the company for over 40 years, in helping harvest cotton, garlic, onions, tomatoes, garbanzo beans, cantaloupe, wheat, barley, alfalfa and lettuce grown for seed across the 9,000 acre farm. Because Mr. Stone is committed to enhancing the quality of agriculture in the valley, he makes the extra effort to incorporate new technology on his farm. He has been actively involved in operating laser leveling, GPS guidance systems and yield monitoring equipment. He has also taken advantage of computers for book-keeping and in tracking production. Further, Mr. Stone has worked closely with University Ag Extension programs in testing new products and equipment.

Aside from his commitments out on the farm, Mr. Stone is an outstanding member of the agricultural community. He currently serves as the Secretary of the San Joaquin Valley Quality Cotton Growers Association, Chairman of the San Joaquin Valley Cotton Board, Director of the Ranchers Cotton Oil Company, Director of the California Cotton Growers Association and a Member of the CIIA Cotton Committee. In addition, Mr. Stone is a board member of Mary Immaculate Queen School, Director of the Beltwide Cotton Co-Op and Chairman of the California Garlic and Onion Research Advisory Board. In the past, Mr. Stone served as the Director of Calcot, Ltd. and the Chairman of Kingsburg Cotton Oil Company.

The Stone family has been an important part of California agriculture for over a century. It is for those reasons, that I extend my sincerest appreciation for Mr. Stone's dedication and service and offer my heartfelt congratulations for receiving the 2006 Kings County Agriculturalist of the Year Award.

### CONGRATULATING SCOTT TEW ON HIS APPOINTMENT AT AMERICAN STANDARD COMPANIES AND HIS SERVICE TO WASHINGTON COUNTY, ALABAMA

### HON. JO BONNER

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 14, 2006*

Mr. BONNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend Scott Tew on his hard work and service to the people of Washington County, Alabama, and to congratulate him on his recent appointment as global director of public affairs at American Standard Companies.

After receiving a bachelor of science degree and a master of arts degree at Livingston University in Livingston, Alabama, Scott joined the Ciba-Geigy Corporation in Mobile. He has devoted over 15 years to the Ciba-Geigy Corporation and to Washington County where his dedication and hard work helped the company and the community prosper. At Ciba, Scott served as the head of North American public affairs, the director of community and state relations, the global corporate communications manager, and the manager of public affairs and communications.

In the midst of his demanding professional schedule, Scott also dedicated his time to the community, including: the Gulf Coast Science Exploreum, the American Chemistry Council, Manufacture Alabama, Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce, Business Council of Alabama, the Washington County Business Alliance, and the Alabama Environmental Initiatives Commission.

Mr. Speaker, all of us in south Alabama are sad to see Scott leave our community. I ask my colleagues to join with me in congratulating him on this achievement and new chapter in his life. I know Scott's colleagues, his wife Cindy, his daughters Dylan and Katherine, his family, and many friends join with me in praising his accomplishments and extending thanks for his many efforts over the years on behalf of the citizens of the First Congressional District and the State of Alabama.

### A TRIBUTE TO MRS. CELESTER ALSTON CLARK

### HON. G.K. BUTTERFIELD

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 14, 2006*

Mr. BUTTERFIELD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to my constituent, Mrs.

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